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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

TROJAN MARITIME INC.,

Plaintiff,

08 Civ. 1863 (HB)

-against-

AMENDED
VERIFIED COMPLAINT

RICH WEALTH SHIPPING SERVICES CO., LTD. a/k/a RICH WEALTH SHIPPING SERVICES CO., LIMITED, and TA YI INTERNATIONAL CO., LTD. a/k/a TA YI INTERNATIONAL CO., LTD. (SAMOA),

Defendants.

Plaintiff TROJAN MARITIME INC. (hereinafter "TROJAN"), for its Amended Verified Complaint against Defendants RICH WEALTH SHIPPING SERVICES CO. LTD. a/k/a RICH WEALTH SHIPPING SERVICES CO., LIMITED (hereinafter "RICH WEALTH") and TA YI INTERNATIONAL CO., LTD. a/k/a TA YI INTERNATIONAL CO., LTD. (SAMOA) (hereinafter "TA YI") alleges upon information and belief as follows:

1. This is an admiralty and maritime claim within the meaning of Rule 9(h) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure in that it involves a claim for the breach of a maritime contract of charter party. This case also falls under this Court's admiralty and maritime jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1333 and the Court's federal question jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C.

§1331 in that the action arises under the New York Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards, codified at 9 U.S.C. §201 et seq. and/or the Federal Arbitration Act, 9 U.S.C. §1 et seq.

- 2. At all times material hereto, Plaintiff TROJAN was and still is a business entity duly organized and existing under the laws of a foreign country with an address in care of Independence Maritime Agency, Inc., 39 Broadway, Suite 2140, New York, NY 10006.
- 3. At all times relevant hereto, Defendant RICH WEALTH was and still is a foreign business entity duly organized and existing under the laws of a foreign country with an address in care of Fairway Ship Chartering, P.O. Box 7, Dubai, UAE.
- 4. At all times relevant hereto, Defendant TA YI was and still is a business entity duly organized and existing under the laws of a foreign country with the address 33 Chang Mei Rd. See 2, Ho Mei Twon, Chang Hua, TAIWAN.
- 5. On or about January 14, 2008, Plaintiff, in the capacity as owner of the M/V NASSAU PRIDE, entered into a maritime contract of charter party with Defendant RICH WEALTH, as charterer, for the carriage of bauxite from Porbandar, India to Shandong Port or Linyungang. A copy of the charter party and fixture recap is annexed as Exhibit A.
- 6. Ta Yi was the seller of the subject cargo and pursuant to the attached Agreement between Plaintiff Trojan and Ta Yi, Ta Yi has agreed and guaranteed the full, due and complete performance of the subject charter party. A copy of the agreement is annexed as Ex. B.
- 7. Plaintiff duly tendered the vessel into service under the charter, the cargo was loaded, the bills of lading released and the vessel is now en route to the discharge port.
- 8. Under the terms of the contract, the Defendant was obliged to pay the full freight within three (3) banking days after the release of the bills of lading.

- 9. The bills of lading were executed and released on February 12, 2008.
- The total amount of freight, together with deadfreight for the cargo not loaded, 10. amounts to \$1,348,060.94, and should have been remitted on or before February 15, 2008.
  - 11. The failure to timely pay the freight constitutes a breach of the charter party.
- 12. In addition, demurrage at the load port of \$102,256.95 has accrued but not been paid.
- 13. Despite due demand, RICH WEALTH has refused and/or otherwise failed to pay the amounts due and accrued under the charter party, and a balance of \$1,450,317.89 remains open.
- 14. The charter party provides for the application of English law and disputes between the parties shall be referred to arbitration in London, and Trojan specifically reserves its right to arbitrate the substantive matters at issue.
- 15. This action is brought to obtain jurisdiction over RICH WEALTH and Ta Yi and to obtain security in favor of Plaintiff TROJAN in respect to its claims against RICH WEALTH and Ta Yi and in aid of London proceedings.
- 16. Under English law, including but not limited to Section 63 of the English Arbitration Act of 1996, costs including attorneys' fees, arbitrators' fees, disbursements and interest are recoverable as part of Plaintiff's claim.
- 17. This action is further brought to obtain security for any additional sums to cover Plaintiff's anticipated attorneys' and arbitrators' fees and costs in the London arbitration and interest, all of which are recoverable as part of Plaintiff's claim under English law.
- 18. Plaintiff estimates, as nearly as can be computed, that the legal expenses and costs of prosecuting the claim in London arbitration will be \$175,000 and interest on its damages are

estimated to be \$235,676.65 (calculated at the rate of 6.5% for a period of 2.5 years, the estimated time for completion of the proceedings in London).

# Request for Rule B Relief

- 19. Upon information and belief, and after investigation, the Defendants cannot be "found" within this District for the purpose of Rule B of the Supplemental Rules of Certain Admiralty and Maritime Claims, but Plaintiff is informed that Defendants have, or will shortly have, assets within this District comprising, *inter alia*, cash, funds, escrow funds, credits, debts, wire transfers, electronic funds transfers, accounts, letters of credit, freights, sub-freights, charter hire and/or sub-charter hire, of, belonging to, due or for the benefit of the Defendants (collectively hereinafter, "ASSETS"), including but not limited to ASSETS in its name or for its benefit, at, moving through, or being transferred and/or wired to or from banking institutions or such other garnishees who may be served with a copy of the Amended Process of Attachment issued herein.
- 20. The total amount to be attached pursuant to the calculations set forth above is \$1,860,994.54

# WHEREFORE, Plaintiff TROJAN MARITIME INC. prays:

- a. That process in due form of law according to the practice of this Court may issue against the Defendants citing it to appear and answer the foregoing;
- b. That if the Defendants cannot be found within this District pursuant to Supplemental Rule B that all tangible or intangible property of Defendants up to and including \$1,860,994.54 be restrained and attached, including, but not limited to any cash, funds, escrow funds, credits, debts, wire transfers, electronic funds transfers, accounts, letters of credit, freights, sub-freights, charter hire and/or sub-

charter hire, of, belonging to, due or being transferred from or for the benefit of the Defendants (collectively hereinafter, "ASSETS"), including but not limited to such ASSETS as may be held, received, or transferred in its name or as may be held, received or transferred for its benefit, at, through, or within the possession, custody or control of such banking institutions and/or any such other garnishees who may be served with a copy of the Process of Maritime Attachment and Garnishment issued herein;

- c. That this Court retain jurisdiction over the matter for any subsequent enforcement action as may be necessary; and
- d. For such other, further and different relief as this Court may deem just and proper in the premises.

By

Dated: New York, New York March 4, 2008

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# **ATTORNEY VERIFICATION**

State of New York )
) ss.:
County of New York )

PETER J. GUTOWSKI, being duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

- 1. I am a partner with the law firm of Freehill Hogan & Mahar, LLP, attorneys for Plaintiff in this action, I have read the foregoing Amended Verified Complaint and know the contents thereof, and the same is true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.
- 2. The sources of my information and the grounds for my belief are communications, information and documentation provided by our client and/or by solicitors representing our client.
- 3. The reason this verification is made by an attorney and not by the Plaintiff is because the Plaintiff is a foreign entity, none of whose officers are presently within this Judicial District.

Peter J. Gutowski

Sworn to before me this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 2008

Notary Public

HAZEL S. ROSENTHAL

Notary Public, State of New York
No. 01R04641178

Qualified in Queens County
Certified in New York County
Commission Expires Dec. 31, 2010

# **EXHIBIT A**

OWNER, ON GROSS FREIGHT OR DEADFREIGHT AND DEMURRAGE.

26. Additional clauses covering special provisions, if agreed

Rider clauses 20 - 54(both inclusive) and to be fully

incorporated top this c/party are deemed and formed

(a) State maximum amount for small claims/shortened arbitration (Ci. 19)

50,000,00USD

It is mutually agreed that this Contract shall be performed subject to the conditions contained in this Charter Party which shall include Part I as well as Part II. In the event of a conflict of conditions, the provisions of Part I shall prevail over those of part II to the extent of such conflict.

Signature (Owners) on boalf as carriers/sub charterers	Signature (Charterers)

#### PART II

## "" ncon" Charter (As Revised 1922, 1976 and 1994)

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1. It is agreed between the party mentioned in Box 3 as the Ox\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Vessel named in Box 5, of the GT/NT indicated in Box 6 and carrying about the number of metric tons of deadwelght capacity all told on summer loadine stated in Box 7, now in position as stated in Box 8 and expected ready to toad under this Charter Party about the date indicated in Box 9, and the party mentioned as the Charterers in Box 4 that:

The said Vessel shall, as soon as her prior commitments have been completed, proceed to the loading port(s) or place(s) stated in Box 10 or so near thereto as she may safely get and the always afloat, and there load a full and complete cargo (if shipment of deck cargo agreed same to be at the Charterers risk and responsibility) as stated in Box 12, which the Charterers bind themselves to ship, and being so loaded the Vessel shall proceed to the aischarging port(s) or place(s) stated in Box 11 as ordered on signing Bills of Lading, or so near thereto as she may safely get and the always afloat, and there detiver the cargo.

Owners' Responsibility Clausa
The Owners are to be responsible for loss of or damage to the goods or for delay in delivery of the goods only in case the loss, damage or delay has been caused by personal want of due diligence on the part of the Owners of their Manager to make the Vessel in all respects seaworthy and to secure that she is properly manned, equipped and suppiled, or by the personal act or default of the Owners or their Manager.

And the Owners are not responsible for loss, damage or delay ansing from any other cause whetsoever, even from the neglect or default of the Master or crew or some other person employed by the Owners on board or ashore for whose acts they would, but for this Clause, be responsible, or from unseaworthiness of the Vessel on loading or commencement of the voyage or at any time whatsoever.

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Daviation Clause
The Vessel has liberly to call at any port or ports in any order, for any purpose, to sail without pilots, to tow and/or assist Vessels in all situations, and also to daviate for the purpose of saving life and/or property.

Payment of Freight SEE RIDERS
(a) The freight at the rate stated in Box 13 shall be paid in cash calculated on

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(b) Prepaid, if according to Box 13 fields to be paid on shipment, it shall be deemed earned and non-returnable, Vessel and/or cargo loct or not bot. Notifier the Owners not their egonits shall be required to sign or endorse bits of lading showing fieldsh prepaid unless the fieldsh due to the Owners has actually been sold.

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(c)-Qn-delivery. If seconding to Box 13 freight, or part thereof, is payable at destination it shall not be deemed earned until the cargo is they delivered. Notwithstanding the provisions under (a), if treight or part thereof is payable on delivery of the cargo the Chapteres shall have the option of paying the freight on delivered weight quantity provided such option is declared before breaking but and the weightiquantity can be ascertained by official weighting machine, joint draft survey or failty.

Cash for Veccel's ordinary disbursements at the port of loading to be advanced by the Chapteres. If required, at highest current rate of exchange, subject to two (2) per cent to cover insurance and other expenses.

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Loading/Discharging SEE RIDERS
[a) Costs/Risks

The cargo shall be brought into the holds, loaded, stowed and/or trimmed, tallied, isshed and/or secured and taken from the holds and discharged by the Charterers, free of any risk, liability and expense whelsoever to the Owners. The Charterers shall provide and tay all dunnage material as required for the proper stowage and protection of the cargo on board, the Owners allowing the use of all dunnage available on board. The Charterers shall be responsible for and pay the cost of removing their dunnage after discharge of the cargo under this Charter Party and time to count until dunnage has been removed.

(b) Cargo Handling Gear.

Unless the Vessel is gearless or unless it has been agreed between the parties that the Vessel's gear shall not be used and stated as such in Box 15, the Owners shall throughout the duration of loading/discharging give free use of the Vessel's cargo handling gear. All such equipment to be in good working order. Unless caused by negligence of the stevedores, time lost by breakdown of the Vessel's cargo handling gear or motive power – pro rate the total number of cranes/winches required at that time for the loading/discharging of cargo under this Charter Party – shall not count as laytime or time on demurrage.

On request the Owners shall provide free of charge cranema/winchmen from the crew to operate the Vessel's cargo handling gear, unless local regulations prohibits this, in which latter event shore labourers shall be for the account of the Charterers. Cranemen/winchmen shall be under the Charterers' risk and responsibility and as stevadores to be deamed as their servants but shall always work under the supervision of the Master.

(c) Stevadors Damage

The Charterers cranemen before the endeavor to obtain the Charterers of their agents and to thair stevedores, failing which the Charterers shall be holders possible. The Master shall endeavor to obtain the Stevedores' written exhowed

acknowledgement of itability.

The Charlerers are obliged to repair any stevedore damage affecting the Vessel's seaworthiness or class before the Vessel sais from the port where such damage was caused or found, All additional expenses incurred shall be for the account of the Charlerers and any time lost shall be for the account of the Owners by the Charlerers at the demurrage rate.

Laytime SEE RIDERS

(s) Separate laytime for loading and discharging
The cargo shall be leaded within the number of running days/hours as indicated in Box 16, weather permitting, Sundays and holidays excepted, unless used, in which event firms used shall count.

The cargo shall be discharged within the number of running days/hours as indicated in Box 15, weather permitting. Sundays and holidays excepted, unless used, in which event if me used shall count.

(b) Total laytime for loading and discharging
The sargo shall be loaded and discharging within the number of total running days/hours as indicated in Box 15, weather permitting, Sundays and holidays expected, unless used, in which event time used shall count.

(c) Commencement of laytime (loading and discharging)
Laytims for loading and discharging shall commence 13.00 hours, if notice of readiness is given up to and including 12.00 hours, and at 06.00 hours next working day if notice given during office hours after 12.00 hours. Notice of

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readiness at loading port to be it to the Shippers named in Box 17 or if not named, to the Charterers or their agents named in Box 18. Notice of readiness at the discharging port to be given to the Receivers or, if not known, to the Charterers or their agents named in Box 19. If not available on the Vessel's arrival at or off the port of loading/discharging, the Vessel shall be entitled to give notice of readiness within ordinary office hours on arrival there, whether in free prelique or not, whether customs cleared or not. Laytime or time on demurrage shall then count as if she were in berth and in all respects ready for loading/discharging provided that the Master warrants that she is in fact ready in all respects. Time used in moving from the place of walting to the loading/discharging berth shall not count as laytime, if, after inspection, the Vessel is found not to be ready in all respects to load/discharge time loat after the discovery thereof until the Vessel is again ready to load/discharge shall not count as laytime.

Time used before commencement of leytime shall count.
\* Indicate alternative (a) or (b) as agreed, in Box 16.

Demurrage SEE RIDERS

Demurrage at the loading and discharging port to payable by the Charterers at the rate stated in Box 20 in the manner stated in Box 20 per day or pro rate for any part of a day. Domurrage stat! fall due day by day and shall be payable upon receipt of the Owners! invoice.

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In the event-the demurage is not paid in secondance with the above, the Owners shall give the Charlerers 96 running hours written notice to rectify the failure. If the demurage is not paid at the expiration of this time limit and if the vested is the or at the loading port, the Owners are antifed at any time to terminate the Charler Party and claim demages for any losses caused thereby.

Lien Clause
The Owners shall have a lien on the cargo and on all sub-freights payable in respect of the cargo, for freight, deadfreight, demurage, claims for damages and for all other amounts due under this Charter Party including costs of

Cancelling Clause
(a) Should the Vessel not be ready to load (whether in berth or not) on the cancelling date indicated in Box 21, the Charterers shall have the option of cancelling this Charter Party.
(b) Should the Owners anticipale that, despite the exercise of due diligence, the Vessel's will not be ready to load by the cancelling date, they shall notify the Charterers thereof without delay stating the expected date of the Vessel's readiness to load and asking whether the Charterers will exercise their option of cancelling the Charter Party, or agree to a new cancelling date.

Such option must be declared by the Charterers within 48 running hours after the receipt of the Owners' notice. If the Charterers do not exercise their option of cancelling, then this Charter Party shall be deemed to be amended such that the seventh day after the new readiness date stated in the Owners' notification to the Charterers shall be the new cancelling date.

The provisions of sub-clause (b) of this Clause shall operate only once, and in case of the Vessel's further delay, the Charterers shall have the option of cancelling the Charter Party as per sub-clause (a) of this Clause.

10. Bills of Lading SEE RIDERS

Bills of Lading shall be presented and signed by the Master as per the 'Congenbill' Bill of Lading form, Edition 1994, without prejudice to this Charter Party, or by the Owners' agents provided-written-authority has given by Gwners to the agents, a copy of which is to be furnished to the Charterers. The Charterers shall indomnity the Owners against all consequences or liabilities that may arise from the signing of bills of lading as presented to the extent that the terms or contents of euch bills of lading impose or result in the imposition of more energial liabilities upon the Owners than those assumed by the Owners under his Charter Party.

11. Both-to-Blame Collision Clause

If the Vessel comes into collision with another vessel as a result of the
negligence of the other vessel and any act, neglect or default of the Master,
Mariner, Pilot or the servants of the Owners in the navigation or in the
management of the Vessel, the owners of the cargo carried hereunder will
indemntly the Owners in so far as such loss or liability to the other or non-carrying
vessel or her owners in so far as such loss or liability represents loss of, or
damage to, or any claim whatsoever of the owners of said cargo, paid or
payable by the other or non-carrying vessel or her owners as part of their claim against the carrying Vessel or the Owners,
The foregoing provisions shall also apply where the owners, operators or those
in charge of any vessel or vessels or objects other than, or in addition to, the
colliding vessels or objects are at fault in respect of a collision or contact.

## 12. General Average and New Jason Clause

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General Average shall be adjusted in London unless otherwise agreed in Box 22
according to York-Antwerp Rules 1994 and any subsequent modification
thereof. Proprietors of cargo to pay the cargo's share in the general expenses
even if same have been necessitated through neglect or default of the Owners'
servants (see Clause 2).
If General Average is to be adjusted in accordance with the law and practice of
the United States of America, the following Clause shall apply: In the event of
taccident, danger, damage or disester before or after the commencement of the
voyage, resulting from any cause whistoever, whether due to negligence or
not, for which, or for the consequence of which, the Owners are not
responsible, by status, contract or otherwise, the cargo shippers, consignes
or the owners of the cargo shall contribute with the Owners in General Average
to the payment of any sacrifices, losses or expenses of a General Average
nature that may be made or incurred and shall pay salvage and special charges
incurred in respect of the cargo. If a salving vessel is owned or operated by the
Owners, salvage shall be paid for as fully as if the said salving vessel or vessels
belonged to strangers. Such deposits as the Owners, or their agents, may deem
unificient to cover the estimated contribution of the goods and any salvage and
special charges thereon shall, if required, be made by the cargo, shippers,
consignees or owners of the goods to the Owners before delivery.\*

13. Taxes and Dues Clause SEE RIDERS

(a) On Vessel - The Owners shall pay sil dues, charges and taxes customarily levied on the Vessel, however the amount thereof may be assessed.
(b) On parge. The Charlorons shall pay sil dues; charges, adules and taxes outlomarily-levied on the eargo, however the amount thereof may-be

assessed. Cc) On freight — Unless otherwise agreed in Box 23, taxes levied on the freight shall be for the Charterers' account.

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Agency <u>SEE RIDERS</u>
In-every case the Owners shall appoint their own-Agent both at the port of discharge.

Brokerage commission at the rate stated in Box 24 on the fielght, dead freight and damurrage earned is due to the parly mentioned in Box 24. In case of non-execution 1/2 of the brokerage on the estimated amount of freight to be paid by the parly responsible for such non-execution to the Brokers as Indemnity for the tallers expenses and work. In case of more voyages the amount of indemnity to be agreed.

#### General Strike Clause

General Strike Clause

(a) If there is a strike or lock-out effecting or preventing the actual loading of the cargo, or any part of it, when the Vessel is ready to proceed from her last port or at any time during the voyage to the port or ports of loading or after her arrival there, the Master or the Owners may ask the Charterers to declare, that they agree to reckon the laydays as if there were no strike or lock-out. Unless the Charterers have given such declaration in writing (by telegram, if necessary) within 24 hours, the Owners shall have the option of canceting this Charter Party. If part of cargo has already been loaded, the Owners must proceed with same, (freight payable on loaded quantity only) having fiberty to complete with other cargo on the way for their own account.

(b) If there is strike or lock-out affecting or preventing the actual discharging of the cargo on or after the Vessel's arrival at or off port of discharge and same has not been settled within 48 hours, the Charterers shall have the option of keeping the Vessel waiting until such strike or lock-out is at an end against paying half demurrage after explication of the time provided for discharging until the strike or lock-out terminates and thereafter full demurrage shall be payable until the completion of discharging, or of ordering the Vessel to a safe port where she can safely discharge without risk of being detained by strike or lock-out. Such orders to be given within 48 hours after the Master or the Owners have given notice to the Charterers of the strike or lock-out affecting the discharge. On delivery of the cargo at such port, all conditions of this Charter Party and of the Bill of Lading shall apply and the Vessel shall receive the same freight as if she had discharged at the original port of destination, except the time distance to the substituted port to be increased in proportion.

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War Risks ("Voywar 1993")

(1) For the purpose of this Clause, the words:

(a) The "Owners' shall include the shipowers, bareboat charterers, disponent owners, managers or other operators who are charged with the management of the Vesset, and the Master, and

(b) "War Risks' shall include any war (whether actual or threatened), act of war, civil war, hostilities, revolution, rebellion, civil commotion, warlike operations, the taying of mines (whether actual or reported), acts of pracy, acts of terrorists, acts of hostility or malicious damage, blockades (whether imposed egainst all Vessels or imposed selectively against Vessels of certain flegs or ownership, or against certain cargoes or crews or otherwise howsoever), by any person, body, terrorist or political group, or the Government of any state whistoever, which, in the reasonable judgement of the Master and/or the Owners, may be dangerous or are likely to be or to become dangerous to the Vessel, her cargo, crew or other persons on board the Vessel.

(2) If at any time before the Vessel commences loading, it appears that, in the reasonable judgement of the Master and/or the Owners, performance of the Contract of Carriage, or may refuse to perform such part of it as may expose, or itsely to expose, the Vessel, her cargo, crew or other persons on board the Vessel to War Risks; the Owners may give notice to the Charterers cancelling this Contract of Carriage, or may refuse to perform such part of it as may expose, or may be likely to expose, the Vessel, her cargo, trew or other persons on board the Vessel to War Risks; the Owners shall itself requires provides that loading or discharging is to take place within a range of ports, and at the ports or ports nominated by the Charterers in contract of Carriage, and may only cancel this Cont

The Vessel shall have liberty:

(a) to comply with all orders, directions, recommendations or advice as to departure, arrival, routes, sailing in convoy, ports of call, stoppages, destinations, discharge of cargo, delivery or in any way whatsoever which are given by the Government of the Nation under whose flag the Vessel sails, or other Government to whose laws the Owners are subject, or any other Government which so requires, or any body or group acting with the power to compel compliance with their orders or directions;

(b) to comply with the orders, directions or recommendations of any war risks underwriters who have the authority to give the same under the terms of the war risks insurance;

(c) to comply with the terms of any resolution of the Security Council of the United Nations, any directives of the European Community, the effective orders of any other Suprenational body which has the right to issue and give the same, and with national laws almed at enforcing the same to which the Owners are subject, and to obey the orders and directions of those who are charged with their enforcement;

(d) to discharge at any other port or only cargo or part thereof which may render the Vessel liable to confiscation as a contraband carder;

(e) to call at any other port to change the crew or any part thereof or other persons on board the Vessel when there is reason to believe that they may be subject to internment, imprisonment or other sanctions.

(f) where cargo has not been loaded or has been discharged by the Owners under any provisions of this Clause, to load other cargo for the Owners own benefit and carry it to any other port or ports whatsoever, whether backwards or forwards or in a contrary direction to the ordinary or customary route.

If in compliance with any of the provisions of sub-clauses (2) to (5) of this

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customary route.

If in compliance with any of the provisions of sub-clauses (2) to (5) of this clause anything is done or not done, such shall not be deemed to be a deviation, but shall be considered as due fulfilment of the Contract of

18. General Ice Clause

Port of loading

(a) In the event of the loading port being inaccessible by reason of ice when the Vessel's ready to proceed from her last port or at any time during the voyage or on the Vessel's arrival or in case froat sets in after the Vessel's arrival, the Master for fear of being frozen in is at liberty to leave without cargo, and this Charter Party shell be mill and vold.

(b) If during loading the Master, for fear of the Vessel being frozen in, deems it advisable to leave, he has the liberty to do so with what cargo he has on board and to proceed to any other port or ports with option of completing cargo for the Owner's benefit for any port or ports including port of discharge. Any part cargo thus loaded under this Charter Party to be forwarded to destination at the Vessel's expense but egainst payment of freight, provided that no extra expenses be thereby caused to the Charterers, freight being paid on quantity delivered (in proportion if iumpsum), all other conditions as per this Charter Perty.

Party.

(c) in case of more than one loading port, and if one or more of the ports are closed by ice, the Master or the Dwners to be at liberty either to load the part cargo at the open port and fill up elsewhere for their own account as under section (b) or to declare the Charter Party null and void unless the Charteres agree to load full cargo at the open port.

#### Port of discharge

(a) Should ice prevent the Vessel from reaching port of discharge the Chartevers shall have the option of keeping the Vessel waiting until the respenting of navigation and paying demurrage or of ordering the Vessel to a safe and immediately accessible port where she can safely discharge without risk detention by ice. Such orders to be given within 48 hours after the Master or the Owners have given notice to the Chartevers of the impossibility of reaching port of deshibition.

Owners-have given notice to the Charteress of the Impossibility of reaching port of destination.

(b) If during discharging the Master for fear of the Vessel being frezen in desma that discharge to heave, he has liberty to do so with what carge he has an board and to proceed to the nearest accessible port. Where she can safely discharge (c) On delivery of the carge at such port, all condition of the Bill of Leding shall apply and the Vessel shall receive the same traight as of she had discharged at the original port of destination, except that if the distance of the substituted port of destination, except that if the distance of the substituted port to destination, except that if the distance of the substituted port to be increased in proportion.

19. Law and Arbitration

19. (a) This Charter Party shall be governed by and construed in accordance with English law and any dispute arising out of this Charter Party shall be referred to arbitration in London in accordance with the arbitration Acts 1950 and 1979 or any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force. Unless the parties agree upon a sole arbitrator, one arbitrator shall be appointed by each party and the arbitrators as appointed shall appoint a third arbitrator, the decision of the inter-ann tribunal thus constituted or any two of them, shall be final. On the receipt by one party of the nomination in writing of the other party's arbitrator, that party shall appoint their arbitrator within fourteen days, falling which the decision of the single arbitrator appointed shall be final. For disputes where the lotal amount claimed by either party does not exceed the amount stated in Box 25° the arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the Small Claims Procedure of the London Maritime Arbitrators Association.

19. This Charter Party shall be governed by and constructed in accordance with Title-9 of the United States and should any dispute size out of this Charter Party, the matter in dispute shall be referred to three persons at New York, one to be appointed by each of the parties hereto, and the blatch by the two so chosen; held decision or that of any two of from chall be final, and for purpose of enforcing any award, this agreement may be made a rule of the Society of Maritime Arbitrators, line...

For disputes where the total amount claimed by either party does not exceed the amount stated in Box 25\*\*-the arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the Shortened Arbitration-Procedure of the Seciety of Maritime Arbitrators, inc.

- (c) Any dispute arising out of this Charter Party shall be referred to arbitration at the place indicated in Box 25, subject to the procedures applicable there. The laws of the place indicated in Box 25 shall govern this Charter Party.

  (d) if Box 25 in Part I is not filled in, sub-clause (a) of this Clause shall apply.

  (a), (b) and (c) are alternatives; indicate ellemative agreed in Box 25.

  Where no figure is supplied in Box 25 in Part I, this provision only shall be void but the other provisions of this Clause shall have full force and remain in effect.

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# RIDER CLAUSES TO M.V ' NASSAU PARADISE OR SISTER N-PRIDE ' DD 14th jan 2008

CLAUSE 20:

VESSEL'S DESCRIPTION:

Owners hereby nominated the below ship

## **MV.NASSAU PARADISE OR SISTER N-PRIDE**

Bahamas Flag 1984 (NASSAU PRIDE 1985)

35,175 mt on 10.673 ssw TPI 112 mt

Loa: 177,40 m

Bm: 29.5 m

5 Ho 5 Ha

Const. 400 mt excluding fw

Total grain capacity: 1,519,802 cu. ft.

Gear: 4 x 15 mts Cranes plus 2 x 15 mts derr. Single pull 5 mts UP

Hatch openings: No. 1 (,C 13.015  $\times$  10.3m (,C No. 2 to 5 (,C 19.55  $\times$  15.1 m

**McGregor Hatchcovers** 

Abt 13 on abt 28L / 26B mt 180 cst (bunker specification RME25) + 2.5 mt MDO

(bunker specification DMB)

In port about 3 to 5 mt MDO depending on usage of cargo gear

In good weather conditions with no adverse current and no negative influence of swell upto and including BF4

The vessel uses Marine Diesel Oil when manoeuvring in or out of narrow waters. ALL DETAILS ABOUT WOG ..

# Owners to declare performing vsl 24 hours after clean fixture all terms

ITINERARY:

VSL ETC UMM QASAR JAN 22 AGW.

CLAUSE 21:

LOADING PORT:

1 sp 1 -2 sa/b Porbandar India

**DISCHARTING PORT:** 

1 sp 1 sb North China

**CLAUSE 22:LOAD RATE** 

Load 7000m/t PER WEATHER WORKING DAY OF 24 CONSECUTIVE WORKING HOURS, SUNDAYS, HOILIDAYS INCLUDED.

CLAUSE 23:

DISCHARGE RATE:

8000METRIC TONNES PER WEATHER WORKING DAY OF 24 CONSECUTIVE WORKING HOURS, SATURDAY, SUNDAYS, HOILIDAYS INCLUDED.

CLAUSE 24:

FREIGHT RATE: USD 40.75 PMT FIOT

CLAUSE 25:

FREIGHT PAYMENT TERMS:

100% freight less chtrs commission to be paid within 3 banking days after completion of loading and signing/releasing of original bills of lading marked "Freight Payable as per Charter Party" but always before breaking bulk. IF FREIGHT PREPAID TO BE REQUESTED, ORIGINAL B/L TO BE RELEASED ONLY

#### AGAINST 100% FREIGHT PAYMENT BEING RCVD BY OWNERS

#### CLAUSE 26:

## **SETTLEMENT OF DEMURRAGE /DISPATCH:**

Demurrage /Dispatch at load port and at disch port, if any within 5 days after completion of discharge and upon presentation of fax/e-mail copies of sof/nor signed by master/agents and Owners' invoice along with Laytime Calculation etc.

#### CLAUSE 27:

Master/Owner to give /4/3/2/1 days notice of arrive to buyer/shipper/receiver/charterer at both ends.

CLAUSE 28:

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#### CLAUSE 29:

At load port, NOR shall be tendered with clean and dry holds/hatches open and ready in all the respects to load.

# RIDER CLAUSES TO M.V ' NASSAU PARADISE OR SISTER N-PRIDE ' DD 14th jan 2008

#### CLAUSE 30: LAYTIME CALCULATION:

Laytime is reversible.

In case loading/discharging can not commence or to be interrupted due to reasons of responsibility of vessel; such time lost shall not count as laytime.

#### CLAUSE 31:

## DISCHARGING/RELEASE OF CARGO:

charterers & rcvr will provide owner prior to discharge with an loi in owners P & I club wording with charterers & rcvr official stamp and authorized signature in case original b/I does not reach the discharge port in time for the only discharge operation . In any event, Cargo to be released against original bs/I or reciever/Charterers to provide owners with first class bank guarantee.

## CLAUSE 32:

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#### CLAUSE 33:

#### AGENTS:

CHTR'S agent at bents and owners paying the customary agency fees subject pda & service approved by the owner. on agents proforma to be paid by the Owner.

CLAUSE 34:.

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CLAUSE 35:

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#### CLAUSE 36:

No extra insurance due to vessel's age/flag.

#### CLAUSE 37:

GA and Arbitration, if any, in LONDON and English Law to be applied.

## CLAUSE 38:

Any taxes/ due on vessel/freight to be for Owners account.

CLAUSE 39:	CL	ΑL	JS	Ε	3	9:
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Any taxes / dues on cargo to be for charterers account.

#### CLAUSE 40:

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### CLAUSE 41:

Owners guarantee vessel will produce all valid international docs/certificates of the vessel ensuring the tenure of the voyage as per port regulations.

#### CLAUSE 42:

"Chrtrs are to appoint an independant draft surveyor at load/discharge port to determine final cargo weights loaded and discharged respectively, the weight determined by the draft survey at the load port shall for all intents and purposes be the total shipped weight to be reflected on the Bills of Lading"

#### CLAUSE 43:

Owners guarantee that vessel fully classed Lloyd's 100a1 or Equivalent with full member of IACS and vessel has no Outstanding recommendations or restrictions or any other Requirements of any nature in respect of flag state, port State control or classification inspections.

# RIDER CLAUSES TO M.V ' NASSAU PARADISE OR SISTER N-PRIDE ' DD 14th | Jan | 2008

#### CLAUSE 44

Owners guarantee that vessel is fully covered for P&I and H&M Covers and will remain so for the duration of this voyage, specifically covered for oil pollution risks and Wreck removal risks, and will be maintained so for the Entire duration of this c/p.

## CLAUSE 45;

Owners guarantee that all vessel's international certificates are valid and fully up to date and Owners accept to make same available to charterers for inspection, if requested. Vessel ISM Certified, BIMCO ISM clause to apply.

CLAUSE 46:

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CLAUSE 47:

delete.

CLAUSE 48:

BIMCO ISM/ISPS CLS TO APPLY.

CLAUSE 49:

delete

CLAUSE 50:

delete

## CLAUSE 51:

Owners guarantee that vessel shall not be sold and/or renamed and/or scrapped during the currency of this c/p and also owners shall not change ownership and/or flag during currency of this c/p.

CLAUSE 52:

delete

CLAUSE 53:

delete

## CLAUSE 54:

Clause Paramount

The International Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules of Law relating to Bills of Lading signed at Brussels on 25 August 1924 (the Hague Rules) as amended by the Protocol signed at Brussels on 23 February 1968 (the Hague-Visby Rules) and as enacted in the country of shipment shall apply to this Contract. When the Hague-Visby Rules are not enacted in the country of shipment, the corresponding legislation of the country of destination shall apply, irrespective of whether such legislation may only regulate outbound shipments.

When there is no enactment of the Hague-Visby Rules in either the country of shipment or in the country of destination, the Hague-Visby Rules shall apply to this Contract save where the Hague Rules as enacted in the country of shipment or if no such enactment is in place, the Hague Rules as enacted in the country of destination apply compulsorily to this Contract.

The Protocol signed at Brussels on 21 December 1979 (the SDR Protocol 1979) shall apply where the Hague-Visby Rules apply, whether mandatorily or by this Contract.

The Carrier shall in no case be responsible for loss of or damage to cargo arising prior to loading, after discharging, or while the cargo is in the charge of another carrier, or with respect to deck cargo and live animals.

for the Charterers

for the Owners

ends++++++

Subj:

NASSAU PRIDE / RICH WEALTH - FINAL RECAP.

Date:

1/17/2008 12:16:35 P.M. Eastern Standard Time

From:

chartering@fairwaychartdxb.com

To:

SeaBridgeNY@aol.com

# FROM: FAIRWAY SHIP CHARTERING LLC, DUBAI (A MEMBER OF THE RAIS HASSAN SAADI GROUP)

TO: SEA BRIDGE NY (OWNERS)

ATTN: MR. NICK

**GOOD EVNG FM DUBAI!** 

MANY THANKS FOR THE CONCLUSION OF THE C/P TERMS.

HERE-BELOW PLS FIND THE FINAL FXTR RECAP:

NASSAU PRIDE / RICH WEALTH 

## PERFORMING VESSEL:-

m/v "NASSAU PRIDE" - Bahamas Flag 1985 35,175 mt on 10.673 ssw or 35' 1/4" TPI 112 mt

Bm: 29.5 m Loa: 177.40 m

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Const. 400 mt excluding fw

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Gear: 4 x 15 mts Cranes plus 2 x 15 mts derr. Single pull 5 mts UP Hatch openings: No. 1 - 13.015  $\times$  10.3m - No. 2 to 5 - 19.55  $\times$  15.1 m

McGregor Hatchcovers

Abt 13 on abt 28L / 26B mt 180 cst (bunker specification RME25) + 2.5 mt MDO

(bunker specification DMB)

In port about 3 to 5 mt MDO depending on usage of cargo gear

In good weather conditions with no adverse current and no negative influence of swell upto and including BF4and/or Douglas Sea State3

The vessel uses Marine Diesel Oil when manoeuvring in or out of narrow waters.

**ALL DETAILS "ABOUT WOG"** 

#### FOR:

- A/C: RICH WEALTH SHIPPING SERVICE CO., LTD. PR CHINA / HONG KONG.
- CARGO: MIN 33,000 MAX 33,500 BAUXITE IN BULK BSS CHRTS TOPPING OFF AT ANCHORAGE (FYG, BSS 9.8 M DRAFT AT BERT ALONE MAX CARGO 29,500 MTS LIFT)
- L/PORT: 1~2 SB/A 1SP PORBANDAR, INDIA
- DRAFT: IN LOADING PORT DRAFT IS 9.8M AND WHEN LOADING VSL BEYOND 9.8M WILL SHIFT TO ANCHORAGE TO LOAD THE BALANCE UP TO AGREED QUANTITY.
- D/PORT: 1SB 1SP NORTH CHINA

- LAYCAN: 19/30 JAN 2008
- LOAD/DISCH RATE: 7,000MT PWWD SHINC / 8,000MT PWWD SHINC BOTH ENDS
- DEMURRAGE/DESPATCH: USD25,000 HALF DESPATCH. DEM/DESP IF ANY, WITHIN 5 (FIVE) DAYS AFTER COMPLETION OF DISCHARGING AGAINST RELEVANT SUPPORTING DOCS BENDS.
- FREIGHT: USD 40.75 PMT ON F.I.O. BASIS 1/1
- FREIGHT PAYMENT: 100% FREIGHT LESS COMM TO BE PAID TO OWNERS' NOMINATED BANK A/C WITHIN THREE (3) BANKING DAYS AFTER COMPLETION OF LOADING, AFTER S/R B/L BUT ALWAYS BEFORE BREAKING BULK, BS/L MARKED "FREIGHT PAYABLE AS PER C/P".

IF FREIGHT PREPAID TO BE REQUESTED, ORIGINAL B/L TO BE RELEASED ONLY AGAINST 100% FREIGHT PAYMENT BEING RCVD BY OWNERS.

- OAP, IF ANY, TO BE FOR CHTRS'S ACCOUNT.
- LIGHTERAGE/LIGHTENING, IF ANY, TO BE FOR SHPRS/CHTRS/RCVRS ACCT AT BENDS.
- VSL'S GEARS BROKEN DOWN, IF ANY, TIME TO COUNT ON A PRO-RATA BASIS. OWNERS ALWAYS TO HAVE REASONABLE OPPORTUNITY TO REPAIR ANY BREAKDOWNS.
- CHRS AGENT BOTH ENDS.
- BIMCO ISM/ISPS CLS TO APPLY.
- ANY TAXES/DUES ON CARGO TO BE FOR CHARTERERS ACCOUNT; ANY TAXES/DUES ON **VESSEL & OCEAN FREIGHT TO BE FOR OWNERS'S ACCOUNT**
- NOR TO BE TENDERED AS PER GENCON C/P 1994
- CARGO TO BE RELEASED AGAINST ORIGINAL BS/L.
- OWNERS/MASTER TO GIVE AGENTS VESSEL'S ETA NOTICE 4/3/2/1 DAY(S) BEFORE **VESSELS ARRIVAL AT L/D PORT**
- G/A, ARBITRATION IF ANY TO BE SETTLED IN LONDON WITH ENGLISH LAW TO APPLY.
- OTHER TERMS/CONDITIONS TO BE AGREED BSS CHTR'S PROFORMA BSS GENCON C/P 1994: AS BELOW.
- TTL 2.50% COMM IAC ( 1.25PCT ADCOM + 1.25PCT FAIRWAY SHIP CHRTRG-DUBAI)
- ALL SUBJECTS TO BE LIFTED BY CHTRS/SHPRS/RCVRS : ARE IN ORDER.

THE PROFORMA C/P TO BE AMENDED LOGICALLY AS PER AGREED MAIN TERMS ABOVE & **AS FOLLOWS:** 

## PART I:

-cis 6. int'l grt 21,193.00 / nrt 13,073.00

#### PART II:

- -cis 1: reinstate in its entirety
- -cls 2: reinstate in its entirety
- -cls 5: a thru c: reinstate in its entirety (including in 72 delete "Owners" reinstate "charterers")
- -cls 6: in 120: reinstate
- -cls 15: Delete.
- -cis 17: reinstate in its entirety

### RIDER:

-20: NASSAU PARADISE 1984 NASSAU PRIDE 1985

Owners to declare performing vsl 24 hours after clean fixture all terms.

-cis 21

loading port: 1 sp 1 -2 sa/b Porbandar India (as per mt)

Disch port

1 sp 1 sb North China

- -cls 24: FREIGHT RATE USD 40.75 PMT FIOT
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- -cls 41: insert "international" before "docs/certificates"
- -cls 45: insert "international" before "certificates"
- -cls 46: delete (not necessay cargo is bulk)
- -cls 47: delete (not necessary)
- -cls 48: insert Bimco ISPS cls (as per mt)

END FINAL RECAP.

KINDLY ADVICE IF THE ABOVE IS IN ORDER OR ANY CORRECTION REQD.

PLSD TO HEAR,

## THANKS/ BRGDS

Capt. Sharad Tripathi, FICS. CHARTERED SHIPBROKER

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# **EXHIBIT B**

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## AGREEMENT REGARDING COMPLETION OF PERFORMANCE OF CHARTER

WHEREAS TROJAN MARITIME INC., as Owner of the M/V NASSAU PRIDE ("Trojan"), entered into a contract of charter party with RICH WEALTH SHIPPING SERVICES CO., LTD. ("Rich Wealth") dated January 14, 2008 for carriage of bauxite from India to China (the "Charter Party"); and

WHEREAS there is a balance of freight, together with demurrage and other charges, which remains due and outstanding under the Charter Party; and

WHEREAS the vessel is at or off the discharge port; and

WHEREAS the receiver of the curso CHIPING XINFA HUAYU ALUMINA ("Chiping") has opened a certain Letter of Credit for the benefit of the Seller, TA YI INTERNATIONAL CO., LTD. ale/a TA YI INTERNATIONAL CO., LTD. (SAMOA) (hereinafter "Ta Yi") bearing L/C No: 385020800004 in the total amount of \$2,330,000 in connection with the payment for the subject cargo (hereinafter the "L/C"), and

WHRRHAS the Seller In Yi is indebted to the Charterer Rich Wealth in respect to this transaction and, with the consent of Rich Wealth, wishes to accommodate the completion of the temsaction and the delivery of the eurgo by, inter alla, urranging for a portion of the sale proceeds owed to it by Chiping and to be paid under the above referenced L/C to be restrained by and/or otherwise remitted to Trojan:

NOW, THEREFORE, THE PARTIES HERETO agree as follows:

To facilitate the payment of the balance of freight and other sums due to Trojan, the Soller To Yi hereby agrees and consents to a restraint of the transfer of funds to be paid under the above-referenced L/C from the Chiping under the Supplemental Rule B Attachment Order -1= NYDOCS1/269905.L

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issued in pending New York action by Trojan against Rich Wealth hearing Civil Action NO 08 Civ. 1863 and a release of same to Trojan in partial satisfaction of the outstanding freight and other sums due under the subject Charter Party.

- 2. The Seller Ta Yi hereby agrees and guarantees the full, due and complete performance of the subject Charter Party:
- 3. In the event the L/C proceeds being paid from the receiver Chiping to Ta Yi are not restmined in New York pursuant to the Rule B action attachment referred to in paragraph 1 above and released to Trojan, Ti Yi agrees that it will pay to Trojan the outstanding balance of freight and demurrage from the proceeds of the L/C immediately upon Ti Yi's receipt of same;
- 4. Trojan will instruct the vessel to enter the part and discharge the cargo to Chipings and
- 5. This Agreement shall be construed under the laws of New York or United States of America and the parties consent to jurisdiction before the Southern District of New York for any claims arising from or relating to this agreement.

Dated: March 4, 2008

TROJAN MARITIME INC.

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Dated: March \_\_\_\_\_, 2008

TA YI INTERNATIONAL CO., LTD. 2/2/2 TA YI INTERNATIONAL CO., LTD. (SAMOA)

By: TÂ NÎ ÎNÎ By: 16 12 B

Authorisal Signification

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